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- Sixteen individuals were charged for allegedly running a telemarketing scheme that advertised real estate in Detroit at falsified prices to ensnare investors in a \$20 million fraud scheme. – *U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Michigan* (See item [5](#))
- About 2.5 acres of greenhouses at Amos Zittel & Sons Inc., in Eden, New York, collapsed due to heavy snow that accumulated during the week of November 17, causing several million dollars in damage. – *Buffalo Business First* (See item [13](#))
- The former vice president of Carson Helicopters pleaded guilty November 24 to defrauding the U.S. Forest Service by submitting false information about helicopter payload capabilities in a bid process for a contract tied to a 2008 helicopter crash in California that killed 9 people. – *Portland Oregonian* (See item [17](#))
- Individuals involved in a riot that broke out after a protest November 24 in Ferguson, Missouri, looted and burned at least 12 businesses, vandalized police vehicles, and pelted police with various objects. – *Associated Press* (See item [21](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *November 25, Ann Arbor News* – (Michigan) **4,000 still without power in Washtenaw County, including 2 schools.** DTE Energy crews worked November 25 to restore power to the remaining customers in Washtenaw County after 180,000 customers lost service around Michigan due to strong wind gusts November 24. Skyline High School in Ann Arbor and Brick Elementary School in the Lincoln Consolidated Schools District were both closed due to the power outage.
Source: http://www.mlive.com/news/ann-arbor/index.ssf/2014/11/4000_still_without_power_in_wa.html
2. *November 24, Santa Rosa Press Democrat* – (California) **Petaluma gas station owner fined \$50,000 for violations.** The owner of Santa Rosa Grand Petroleum was ordered to pay nearly \$50,000 in civil penalties November 24 for violating underground storage tank laws at a Valero gas station in Petaluma following a December 2013 inspection. Officials determined there were no records showing tank alarms were being monitored or working properly, and closed the station until repairs were made.
Source: <http://www.pressdemocrat.com/home/3159437-181/petaluma-gas-station-owner-fined>

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Chemical Industry Sector

3. *November 25, Doylestown Intelligencer* – (Pennsylvania) **Hazmat in Plumstead prompts evacuation, street closure.** A liquid chlorine gas release from a single onsite cylinder prompted the evacuation of at least 100 employees from the Air Liquide facility in Plumstead Township November 24. Crews monitored air quality in the area while they worked to contain and repair the leak.
Source: http://www.theintell.com/news/local/hazmat-in-plumstead-prompts-evacuation-street-closure/article_fa128e15-7160-518f-ac9e-63ca0c256718.html

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

4. *November 25, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission* – (International) **Goal Zero recalls battery packs due to fire hazard.** Goal Zero announced a recall for Goal Zero Sherpa 50 and 120 rechargeable battery packs covering around 10,000 units in the U.S. and 110 in Canada due to the potential for the packs to overcharge, overheat, and warp and melt the battery pack enclosure, which could result in a fire or property damage.

Source: <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2015/Goal-Zero-Recalls-Battery-Packs/>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

5. *November 24, U.S. Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Michigan* – (International) **Sixteen people charged in nationwide telemarketing scheme that involved thousands of homes in Detroit.** The U.S. Attorney's Office and the FBI announced charges against 16 individuals in Florida, Michigan, and New York for allegedly running a telemarketing scheme that used unsolicited calls advertising residential property in Detroit at falsified prices that ensnared investors and other buyers in a fraud scheme that led to over \$20 million in losses to victims in the U.S. and Canada. Several of the accused were arrested November 21 in Florida, one individual was arrested after being extradited from Thailand, and one other remains at large overseas.
Source: <http://www.fbi.gov/detroit/press-releases/2014/sixteen-people-charged-in-nationwide-telemarketing-scheme-that-involved-thousands-of-homes-in-detroit>
6. *November 24, Bakersfield Now* – (California) **Bakersfield sisters guilty on federal charges in mortgage fraud case.** Two Bakersfield women were convicted November 21 on fraud and conspiracy charges for defrauding mortgage lenders of around \$6 million between October 2005 and May 2007 by submitting false loan applications and fraudulent supporting documentation. Three other co-conspirators previously pleaded guilty.
Source: <http://www.bakersfieldnow.com/news/local/Bakersfield-sisters-guilty-on-federal-charges-in-mortgage-fraud-case-283768111.html>
7. *November 24, Associated Press* – (Connecticut) **West Haven councilman pleads guilty to wire fraud.** A West Haven councilman pleaded guilty November 24 to stealing \$106,000 from customer accounts at his employer, JPMorgan Chase Bank in New Canaan, and disguising the embezzlement as cash withdrawals by the affected customers. He subsequently resigned from his seat on the West Haven City Council.
Source: <http://connecticut.cbslocal.com/2014/11/24/west-haven-councilman-pleads-guilty-to-wire-fraud/>
8. *November 24, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission* – (Massachusetts) **Court enters judgments against former Massachusetts-based boiler room operator and his companies, also indicted by grand jury.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) announced that a federal court entered final judgments November 18 against a Massachusetts man and his group of related entities for violating federal securities laws in a boiler room scheme and ordered the man and related entities to pay

a total of \$37,006,590 in disgorgement of illicit gains, interest, and penalties. Parallel criminal charges were filed and are pending against the man and another individual.
Source: <http://www.sec.gov/litigation/litreleases/2014/lr23140.htm>

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Transportation Systems Sector

9. *November 24, Montana Standard* – (Montana) **Six cows killed when truck rolls west of Butte.** A semi-truck hauling 86 cattle crashed and overturned on Interstate 15-90 between Butte and Rocker November 22, scattering cattle and causing authorities to reroute eastbound traffic for more than 4 hours. Six cows died and the driver was cited for reckless driving.
Source: http://mtstandard.com/news/local/six-cows-killed-when-truck-rolls-west-of-butte/article_c6cee0dd-f0d8-5fc5-8f0e-3df1d292bb8b.html
10. *November 24, Baltimore Sun* – (Maryland) **Power outage disrupts operations at BWI.** A brief power outage at the Baltimore Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport temporarily shut down three security checkpoints and concourses A, B, and C, and contributed to more than 100 flights being delayed or canceled. The outage lasted about 90 minutes and was caused by a failure of an underground electrical cable at the airport.
Source: <http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/maryland/anne-arundel/bs-md-bwi-power-20141124-story.html>
11. *November 24, Torrance Daily Breeze* – (California) **LAX water main break floods parking structure, knocks out Terminal 2 water for a time.** A 6-foot water main break under a Los Angeles International Airport parking structure knocked out water service to Terminal 2 for nearly 4 hours, stranded 62 vehicles and two motorcycles, and reduced water pressures in other terminals for about an hour November 24.
Source: <http://www.presstelegram.com/general-news/20141124/lax-water-main-break-floods-parking-structure-knocks-out-terminal-2-water-for-a-time>
12. *November 23, News 12 The Bronx* – (New York) **6 train service resumes after water main break.** Subway service on the 6 line between 138th Street and Hunts Point Avenue in New York City was partially suspended November 22-23 following a massive water main break that sent about 800,000 gallons of water onto the tracks at East 143rd Street Station.
Source: <http://bronx.news12.com/news/6-train-service-resumes-after-water-main-break-1.9646135>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

13. *November 24, Buffalo Business First* – (New York) **Several greenhouses collapse at Amos Zittel & Sons.** About 2.5 acres of greenhouses at Amos Zittel & Sons Inc., in Eden, New York, collapsed due to heavy snow that accumulated during the week of November 17. Damage was estimated to total several million dollars.
Source: <http://www.bizjournals.com/buffalo/news/2014/11/21/several-greenhouses-collapse-at-amos-zittel-sons.html?page=all>
14. *November 24, Sioux City Journal* – (Iowa) **50 gallons of wastewater dumped into Denison river.** The Iowa Department of Natural Resources is investigating after about 50 gallons of process wastewater from the Smithfield Farmland pork processing plant in Denison flowed into a storm drain, emptying into the Boyd River after a small fire in the plant's the electrical room caused a power outage.
Source: http://siouxcityjournal.com/news/local/official-gallons-of-wastewater-dumped-into-denison-river/article_f6fef060-cefa-5bb4-b148-59a229608c35.html

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

15. *November 22, Chicago Daily Herald* – (Illinois) **Hawthorn Woods boil order lifted.** A boil water advisory for homes in Hawthorn Woods, Forest Lake, and Glennshire was lifted November 22 after a power outage at the AQUA Well Station that feeds water to about 300 homes caused the water system to lose pressure November 21.
Source: <http://www.dailyherald.com/article/20141122/news/141129426/>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

16. *November 24, Bangor Daily News* – (Maine) **EMHS information systems blackout affects 8 hospitals, numerous doctors' offices.** The information system for all 8 hospitals throughout the Eastern Maine Health System temporarily went down November 24 causing email and other internal communication system to be inaccessible and forcing physicians to switch to a paper-based system. Officials are working to determine the root cause of the outage.
Source: <https://bangordailynews.com/2014/11/24/health/emhs-information-systems-blackout-affects-8-hospitals-numerous-doctors-offices/>

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Government Facilities Sector

17. *November 25, Portland Oregonian* – (Oregon; California) **Former Oregon helicopter official guilty of fraud scheme linked to deadly 2008 chopper crash.** The U.S. attorney's office for Oregon announced that the former vice president of Carson Helicopters pleaded guilty November 24 to defrauding the U.S. Forest Service by submitting false information about helicopter payload capabilities in a bid process for a contract tied to a 2008 helicopter crash that killed 9 people near Weaverville, California. The former vice president filed fraudulent and unsafe empty-helicopter weights in order to help the company win contracts.
Source: http://www.oregonlive.com/pacific-northwest-news/index.ssf/2014/11/former_oregon_helicopter_offic.html
18. *November 21, Washington Post* – (Maryland) **Security breach reveals personal data on Prince George's school employees.** The Prince George's County Public School System in Maryland notified about 10,000 employees November 21 of a breach of personal information, including Social Security numbers, after the sensitive data was inadvertently included in a routine monthly report that was emailed internally and externally.
Source: http://www.washingtonpost.com/local/education/security-breach-reveals-personal-data-on-prince-georges-school-employees/2014/11/21/fdd3de9c-71e2-11e4-ad12-3734c461eab6_story.html

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Emergency Services Sector

19. *November 24, WTVT 13 Tampa* – (Florida) **Inmate escapes from Manatee County.** Police are searching for an inmate who escaped from the Manatee Correctional Complex near Palmetto November 23 while working on an inmate farm. Authorities believe the inmate stole a car from couple living in Hillsborough County and fled.
Source: <http://www.myfoxtampabay.com/story/27462133/inmate-escapes-from-manatee-county>

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Information Technology Sector

20. *November 25, Help Net Security* – (International) **New Docker version solves critical bugs, update immediately.** The developers of the Docker open source platform issued an update for the platform November 24, closing two critical vulnerabilities including one that can be used by a remote attacker to execute malicious code. Users were advised to update their installations as soon as possible.
Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=17688>

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Communications Sector

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Commercial Facilities Sector

21. *November 25, Associated Press* – (Missouri) **Family blasts prosecutor's handling of case.** The governor of Missouri called in additional National Guard troops November 25 to contain a riot that broke out after a protest November 24 in Ferguson, Missouri, where individuals looted and burned at least 12 businesses, vandalized police vehicles, and pelted police with various objects. At least 18 individuals were injured and 61 individuals were arrested in connection to the riot, while around 10 flights were diverted or cancelled, and some area schools canceled classes November 25 as a precautionary measure.
Source: <http://news.yahoo.com/no-indictment-chaos-fills-ferguson-streets-083434303.html>
22. *November 24, WXYZ 7 Detroit* – (Michigan) **Westland apartment fire destroys 20 units.** Twenty units at the Woodcrest Apartments complex in Westland, Michigan, were rendered a total loss following a November 24 fire that engulfed the structure and displaced residents. The cause of the fire is under investigation.
Source: <http://www.wxyz.com/news/westland-apartment-fire-destroys-20-units>
23. *November 24, KTVT 11 Fort Worth* – (Texas) **Fire burns Fort Worth apartment building.** At least 20 residents were displaced from 16 units at the Woodbridge Apartments complex in Fort Worth due to damage caused by a November 24 fire. One resident was treated for symptoms of smoke inhalation.
Source: <http://dfw.cbslocal.com/2014/11/24/fire-burns-fort-worth-apartment-building/>
24. *November 24, Buffalo Business First* – (New York) **VSP is a 'complete loss' after roof collapse.** Heavy snow prompted a roof collapse and broken water lines at VSP Marketing Graphics Group in west Seneca November 20, causing an estimated \$800,000 to \$1 million in damages to the business and its structure.
Source: <http://www.bizjournals.com/buffalo/news/2014/11/21/vsp-is-a-complete-loss-after-roof-collapse.html?page=all>

25. *November 23, Great Falls Tribune* – (Montana) **Truck causes \$50,000 damage to Verizon store.** A Verizon Wireless store in Great Falls, Montana, was closed until further notice November 23 after a Utah man crashed his vehicle into the building and caused at least \$50,000 in damage to the structure and its contents. Police are searching for the driver of the vehicle who may have purposely driven into the building.
Source: <http://www.greatfallstribune.com/story/news/local/2014/11/23/truck-causes-damage-verizon-store/19457603/>

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